



A RIVAL OF THE ROYAL POINCIANA.

(*Phyllocarpus septentrionalis* Donn. Smith, S. P. I. No. 50666.)

The "flor de mico" grows in small ravines in the lowlands of eastern Guatemala. It flowers at the end of winter, and for this reason it may be of particular interest in southern Florida, where ornamental trees which will bloom during the winter season are greatly desired. The royal poinciana, which the "flor de mico" (monkey flower) greatly suggests in appearance, does not flower until midsummer and is not attractive during the period when many thousands of people from the North visit the tropical resorts of southern Florida. (Photographed by Wilson Popenoe, Barranquillo, Guatemala, January 29, 1920; P17720FS.)